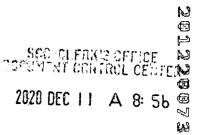
#### COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

## STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, DECEMBER 11, 2020



PETITION OF

VIRGINIA ELECTRIC AND POWER COMPANY

CASE NO. PUR-2020-00170

For approval of a rate adjustment clause, designated Rider RPS, under § 56-585.1 A 5 d of the Code of Virginia

#### ORDER FOR NOTICE AND HEARING

On November 9, 2020, Virginia Electric and Power Company ("Dominion" or "Company") filed with the State Corporation Commission ("Commission") a petition ("Petition") for approval of a rate adjustment clause, designated Rider RPS, pursuant to § 56-585.1 A 5 d of the Code of Virginia ("Code"). Through its Petition, Dominion seeks to recover costs related to compliance with the mandatory renewable energy portfolio standard program ("RPS Program") established in the Virginia Clean Economy Act ("VCEA").<sup>2</sup>

Pursuant to Code § 56-585.5 C, Dominion is required to participate in an RPS Program that establishes annual goals for the sale of renewable energy to all retail customers in the Company's service territory, with certain limited exceptions. To comply with the RPS Program, Dominion must procure and retire renewable energy certificates ("RECs") originating from qualifying sources. The RPS Program requirements "shall be a percentage of the total electric energy sold in the previous calendar year" and must be implemented in accordance with the schedule set forth in Code § 56-585.5 C. The statute permits Dominion to apply renewable energy sales achieved or RECs acquired in excess of the sales requirement for a specific year's

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> On December 4, 2020, the Company filed an updated Schedule 46, completing its Petition.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Petition at 1.

RPS Program to the sales requirements for certain future years. Code § 56-585.5 C further provides that, to the extent Dominion procures RECs for RPS Program compliance from resources it does not own, the Company shall be entitled to recover the costs of such RECs pursuant to Code §§ 56-249.6 or 56-585.1 A 5 d.

Code § 56-585.1 A 5 d, as amended by the VCEA, provides that a utility may petition the Commission for approval of one or more rate adjustment clauses for the timely and current recovery from customers of:

[p]rojected and actual costs of compliance with renewable energy portfolio standard requirements pursuant to § 56-585.5 that are not recoverable under subdivision 6. The Commission shall approve such a petition allowing the recovery of such costs incurred as required by § 56-585.5, provided that the Commission does not otherwise find such costs were unreasonably or imprudently incurred....

In its Petition, Dominion states that it will meet the annual requirements of the RPS Program through the retirement of RECs that will be sourced from a combination of RECs generated from Company-owned renewable energy facilities, RECs generated from renewable energy facilities owned by an entity other than the utility with which the Company has entered into a power purchase agreement ("PPA"), long-term REC-only contracts, and market purchases.<sup>3</sup>

To determine the total cost of RECs to be recovered through Rider RPS, the Company states it first determined its projected RPS Program requirements for 2021, and then used those projections to determine the estimated volume of RECs needed during the rate year of August 1, 2021, to July 31, 2022 ("Rate Year"). The Company asserts it then determined the projected volume of RECs that would come from its PPA facilities and the projected volume of RECs that

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Id. at 3.

the Company would need to utilize from its bank or purchase from the market. As set forth in the Petition, for any RECs generated from PPA facilities, the Company included the costs associated with the REC portion of the PPAs. For any RECs the Company would need to purchase or utilize from the bank, the Company states it multiplied the volume of RECs by a weighted average price in order to determine the cost of the gross purchases and banked RECs needed for the Rate Year.<sup>4</sup> According to the Company, once it determined the total costs of RECs to be recovered in this proceeding, it applied a Virginia jurisdictional allocation factor of 84.5973%.<sup>5</sup> Finally, the Company states it applied a credit remaining from the Company's participation in Virginia's voluntary renewable energy portfolio standard program that was in place under former Code § 56-585.2.<sup>6</sup>

The revenue requirement for Rider RPS in the instant proceeding includes only a Projected Cost Recovery Factor ("Projected Factor"). Beginning with the next filing, which the Company expects to make in 2021, the total revenue requirement will include both a Projected Factor and an Actual Cost True-Up Factor ("True-Up Factor"). The Company states no True-Up Factor is included in this proceeding because this filing represents the initial request for cost recovery. In this proceeding, the Company seeks approval of a total revenue requirement of \$13,230,000 for the Rate Year.

<sup>4</sup> Id. at 4.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> December 4, 2020 Errata Filing at 1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Petition at 4.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Id.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Id.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> December 4, 2020 Errata Filing at 1.

The Company asserts it proposes to use an energy allocation factor to allocate costs to the Virginia jurisdiction and the development of a uniform charge per kilowatt-hour ("kWh") applicable to all bundled service and retail choice customers, calculated to take into account the relevant provisions of the VCEA.<sup>10</sup>

If the proposed Rider RPS for the Rate Year is approved, the impact on customer bills would depend on the customer's rate schedule and usage. According to Dominion, implementation of its proposed Rider RPS on August 1, 2021, would increase the bill of a residential customer using 1,000 kWh per month by approximately \$0.18.11

Finally, in conjunction with the filing of its Petition on November 9, 2020, the Company filed the Motion of Virginia Electric and Power Company for Entry of a Protective Order and Additional Protective Treatment ("Motion for Protective Ruling") and a proposed protective order that establishes procedures governing the use of confidential and extraordinarily sensitive information in this proceeding.

NOW THE COMMISSION, upon consideration of this matter, is of the opinion and finds that Dominion should provide public notice of its Petition; a hearing should be scheduled for the purpose of receiving testimony and evidence on the Petition; interested persons should have an opportunity to file comments on the Petition or to participate as respondents in this proceeding; and the Commission Staff ("Staff") should be directed to investigate the Petition and file testimony and exhibits containing its findings and recommendations thereon.

Further, we find that a Hearing Examiner should be assigned to conduct all further proceedings in this matter on behalf of the Commission, including ruling on the Company's

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Petition at 5.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> Id.

Motion for Protective Ruling and filing a final report containing the Hearing Examiner's findings and recommendations.

The Commission takes judicial notice of the ongoing public health emergency related to the spread of the coronavirus, or COVID-19, and the declarations of emergency issued at both the state and federal levels.<sup>12</sup> The Commission has taken certain actions, and may take additional actions going forward, which could impact the procedures in this proceeding.<sup>13</sup> Consistent with these actions, in regard to the terms of the procedural framework established below, the Commission will, among other things, direct the electronic filing of testimony and pleadings unless they contain confidential information, and require electronic service on parties to this proceeding.

For clarification, we note that the proposed Rider RPS, if approved, would result in an increase to customer bills. We realize that the current COVID-19 public health crisis has caused devastating economic effects that impact all utility customers. We have responded to this economic emergency by, among other actions, suspending for approximately six months

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> See, e.g., Executive Order No. 51, Declaration of a State of Emergency Due to Novel Coronavirus, COVID-19, issued March 12, 2020, by Gov. Ralph S. Northam. See also Executive Order No. 53, Temporary Restrictions on Restaurants, Recreational, Entertainment, Gatherings, Non-Essential Retail Businesses, and Closure of K-12 Schools Due to Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19), issued March 23, 2020, by Governor Ralph S. Northam, and Executive Order No. 55, Temporary Stay At Home Order Due to Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19), issued March 30, 2020, by Governor Ralph S. Northam. These and subsequent Executive Orders related to COVID-19 may be found at: <a href="https://www.governor.virginia.gov/executive-actions/">https://www.governor.virginia.gov/executive-actions/</a>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> See, e.g., Commonwealth of Virginia, ex rel. State Corporation Commission, Ex Parte: Electronic Service of Commission Orders, Case No. CLK-2020-00004, Doc. Con. Cen. No. 200330035, Order Concerning Electronic Service of Commission Orders (Mar. 19, 2020), extended by Doc. Con. Cen. No. 200520105, Order Regarding the State Corporation Commission's Revised Operating Procedures During COVID-19 Emergency (May 11, 2020); Commonwealth of Virginia, ex rel., State Corporation Commission, Ex Parte: Revised Operating Procedures During COVID-19 Emergency, Case No. CLK-2020-00005, Doc. Con. Cen. No. 200330042, Order Regarding the State Corporation Commission's Revised Operating Procedures During COVID-19 Emergency (Mar. 19, 2020), extended by Doc. Con. Cen. No. 200520105, Order Regarding the State Corporation Commission's Revised Operating Procedures During COVID-19 Emergency (May 11, 2020); Commonwealth of Virginia, ex rel. State Corporation Commission, Ex Parte: Electronic service among parties during COVID-19 emergency, Case No. CLK-2020-00007, Doc. Con. Cen. No. 200410009, Order Requiring Electronic Service (Apr. 1, 2020).

customer disconnections from utility service and directing Virginia utilities to offer extended payment plans, without late fees for those who are current on such plans, to protect customers from service disconnection. We are sensitive to the effects of rate increases, especially in times such as these. The Commission, however, must and will follow the laws applicable to this case, as well as the findings of fact supported by evidence in the record.

### Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

- (1) All pleadings in this matter should be submitted electronically to the extent authorized by Rule 5 VAC 5-20-150, *Copies and format*, of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure ("Rules of Practice"). Confidential and Extraordinarily Sensitive information shall not be submitted electronically and should comply with 5 VAC 5-20-170, *Confidential information*, of the Rules of Practice. For the duration of the COVID-19 emergency, any person seeking to hand deliver and physically file or submit any pleading or other document shall contact the Clerk's Office Document Control Center at (804) 371-9838 to arrange the delivery.
- (2) Pursuant to 5 VAC 5-20-140, *Filing and service*, of the Commission's Rules of Practice, the Commission directs that service on parties and the Staff in this matter shall be accomplished by electronic means. Concerning Confidential or Extraordinarily Sensitive Information, parties and the Staff are instructed to work together to agree upon the manner in which documents containing such information shall be served upon one another, to the extent

<sup>14 5</sup> VAC 5-20-10 et seq.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> As noted in the Commission's March 19, 2020 Order Regarding the State Corporation Commission's Revised Operating Procedures During COVID-19 Emergency in Case No. CLK-2020-00005, submissions to the Commission's Clerk's Office via U.S. mail or commercial mail equivalents may not be processed for an indefinite period of time due to the COVID-19 emergency. *See* n.13, *supra*.

practicable, in an electronically protected manner, even if such information is unable to be filed in the Office of the Clerk, so that no party or the Staff is impeded from preparing its case.

- (3) As provided by § 12.1-31 of the Code and Rule 5 VAC 5-20-120, *Procedure before hearing examiners*, of the Commission's Rules of Practice, a Hearing Examiner is appointed to conduct all further proceedings in this matter on behalf of the Commission.
- (4) Due to the ongoing public health emergency related to the spread of the coronavirus, or COVID-19, the Commission hereby schedules a telephonic hearing for the receipt of testimony from public witnesses on the Company's Petition, as follows:
  - (a) A hearing for the receipt of testimony from public witnesses on the Company's Petition shall be convened telephonically at 10 a.m. on May 3, 2021, with no witness present in the Commission's courtroom.<sup>16</sup>
  - (b) To promote fairness for all public witnesses, each witness will be allotted five minutes to provide testimony.
  - (c) On or before April 29, 2021, any person desiring to offer testimony as a public witness shall provide to the Commission (a) your name, and (b) the telephone number that you wish the Commission to call during the hearing to receive your testimony. This information may be provided to the Commission in three ways: (i) by filling out a form on the Commission's website at <a href="mailto:scc.virginia.gov/pages/Webcasting">scc.virginia.gov/pages/Webcasting</a>; (ii) by completing and emailing the PDF version of this form to <a href="mailto:SCCInfo@scc.virginia.gov">SCCInfo@scc.virginia.gov</a>; or (iii) by calling (804) 371-9141.
  - (d) Beginning at 10 a.m. on May 3, 2021, the Commission will telephone sequentially each person who has signed up to testify as provided above. This hearing will not be convened, and the parties will be notified of such, if no person signs up to testify as a public witness.
  - (e) This public witness hearing will be webcast at <a href="mailto:scc.virginia.gov/pages/Webcasting">scc.virginia.gov/pages/Webcasting</a>.
- (5) A public evidentiary hearing shall be convened at 10 a.m. on May 4, 2021, either in the Commission's second floor courtroom located in the Tyler Building, 1300 East Main Street,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> The Commission will convene counsel of record in this proceeding to attend the public witness hearing virtually.

Richmond, Virginia 23219, or by electronic means, to receive testimony and evidence offered by the Company, respondents, and the Staff on the Petition. Further details on this hearing will be provided by subsequent Commission Order or Hearing Examiner's Ruling.

- (6) An electronic copy of the Company's Petition may be obtained by submitting a written request to counsel for the Company, Sarah R. Bennett, Esquire, McGuireWoods LLP, Gateway Plaza, 800 East Canal Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219, or <a href="mailto:SBennett@mcguirewoods.com">SBennett@mcguirewoods.com</a>. Interested persons also may download unofficial copies from the Commission's website: <a href="mailto:scc.virginia.gov/pages/Case-Information">scc.virginia.gov/pages/Case-Information</a>.
- (7) On or before January 19, 2021, the Company shall cause the following notice to be published as display advertising (not classified) on one (1) occasion in newspapers of general circulation throughout the Company's service territory within Virginia:

# NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC OF PETITION FOR APPROVAL OF A RATE ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE, DESIGNATED RIDER RPS, BY VIRGINIA ELECTRIC AND POWER COMPANY D/B/A DOMINION ENERGY VIRGINIA CASE NO. PUR-2020-00170

- Virginia Electric and Power Company d/b/a Dominion Energy Virginia ("Dominion") has applied for approval of a rate adjustment clause, designated Rider RPS, to recover costs related to compliance with the mandatory renewable energy portfolio standard program established in the Virginia Clean Economy Act.
- Dominion requests approval of a revenue requirement of \$13,230,000 for Rider RPS for the rate year beginning August 1, 2021, through July 31, 2022. According to Dominion, this amount would increase a typical residential customer's bill using 1,000 kilowatt hours per month by approximately \$0.18.
- Due to the ongoing public health emergency related to the spread of the coronavirus, or COVID-19, a Hearing Examiner appointed by the State Corporation Commission will hold a telephonic hearing in this case on May 3, 2021, for the receipt of public witness testimony.
- A Hearing Examiner appointed by the State Corporation Commission will hold an evidentiary hearing in this case on May 4, 2021.
- Further information about this case is available on the SCC website at: <a href="scc.virginia.gov/pages/Case-Information">scc.virginia.gov/pages/Case-Information</a>.

On November 9, 2020, Virginia Electric and Power Company ("Dominion" or "Company") filed with the State Corporation Commission ("Commission") a petition ("Petition") for approval of a rate adjustment clause, designated Rider RPS, pursuant to § 56-585.1 A 5 d of the Code of Virginia ("Code"). Through its Petition, Dominion seeks to recover costs related to compliance with the mandatory renewable energy portfolio standard program ("RPS Program") established in the Virginia Clean Economy Act ("VCEA").

Pursuant to Code § 56-585.5 C, Dominion is required to participate in an RPS Program that establishes annual goals for the sale of renewable energy to all retail customers in the Company's service territory, with certain limited exceptions. To comply with the RPS Program, Dominion must procure and retire renewable energy certificates ("RECs") originating from qualifying sources. The RPS Program requirements "shall be a percentage of the total electric energy sold in the previous calendar year" and must be implemented in accordance with the schedule set forth in Code § 56-585.5 C. Code § 56-585.5 C further provides that, to the extent Dominion procures RECs for RPS Program compliance from resources it does not own, the Company shall be entitled to recover the costs of such RECs pursuant to Code §§ 56-249.6 or 56-585.1 A 5 d.

Code § 56-585.1 A 5 d provides that a utility may petition the Commission for approval of one or more rate adjustment clauses for the timely and current recovery from customers of: "[p]rojected and actual costs of compliance with renewable energy portfolio standard requirements pursuant to § 56-585.5 that are not recoverable under subdivision 6. The Commission shall approve such a petition allowing the recovery of such costs incurred as required by § 56-585.5, provided that the Commission does not otherwise find such costs were unreasonably or imprudently incurred...."

In its Petition, Dominion states that it will meet the annual requirements of the RPS Program through the retirement of RECs sourced from a combination of RECs generated from Company-owned renewable energy facilities, RECs generated from renewable energy facilities owned by an entity other than the utility with which the Company has entered into a power purchase agreement ("PPA"), long-term REC-only contracts, and market purchases.

The Company's Petition details the process used to determine the total cost of RECs to be recovered through Rider RPS during the rate year of August 1, 2021, to July 31, 2022 ("Rate Year"). According to the Company, once it determined the total costs of RECs to be recovered in this proceeding, it applied a Virginia jurisdictional allocation factor of 84.5973%. Finally, the Company states it applied a credit remaining from the Company's participation in Virginia's voluntary renewable energy portfolio standard program that was in place under former Code § 56-585.2.

In this proceeding, the Company seeks approval of a total revenue requirement of \$13,230,000 for the Rate Year.

The Company asserts it proposes to use an energy allocation factor to allocate costs to the Virginia jurisdiction and the development of a uniform charge per kilowatt-hour ("kWh") applicable to all bundled service and retail choice customers, calculated to take into account the relevant provisions of the VCEA.

If the proposed Rider RPS for the Rate Year is approved, the impact on customer bills would depend on the customer's rate schedule and usage. According to Dominion, implementation of its proposed Rider RPS on August 1, 2021, would increase the bill of a residential customer using 1,000 kWh per month by approximately \$0.18.

Interested persons are encouraged to review the Petition and supporting documents for the details of these and other proposals.

TAKE NOTICE that the Commission may apportion revenues among customer classes and/or design rates in a manner differing from that shown in the Petition and supporting documents and thus may adopt rates that differ from those appearing in the Company's Petition and supporting documents.

The Commission entered an Order for Notice and Hearing in this proceeding that, among other things, scheduled public hearings on Dominion's Petition. On May 3, 2021, at 10 a.m., the Commission will hold a telephonic hearing, with no witness present in the Commission's courtroom, for the purpose of receiving the testimony of public witnesses. On or before April 29, 2021, any person desiring to offer testimony as a public witness shall provide to the Commission (a) your name, and (b) the telephone number that you wish the Commission to call during the hearing to receive your testimony. This information may be provided to the Commission in three ways: (i) by filling out a form on the Commission's website at scc.virginia.gov/pages/Webcasting;

(ii) by completing and emailing the PDF version of this form to <u>SCCInfo@scc.virginia.gov</u>; or (iii) by calling (804) 371-9141. This public witness hearing will be webcast at scc.virginia.gov/pages/Webcasting.

On May 4, 2021, at 10 a.m., either in the Commission's second floor courtroom located in the Tyler Building, 1300 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219, or by electronic means, the Commission will convene a hearing to receive testimony and evidence related to the Petition from the Company, any respondents, and the Commission's Staff. Further details on this hearing will be provided by subsequent Commission Order or Hearing Examiner's Ruling.

The Commission has taken judicial notice of the ongoing public health emergency related to the spread of the coronavirus, or COVID-19, and the declarations of emergency issued at both the state and federal levels. In accordance therewith, all pleadings, briefs, or other documents required to be served in this matter should be submitted electronically to the extent authorized by 5 VAC 5-20-150, *Copies and format*, of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure ("Rules of Practice"). Confidential and Extraordinarily Sensitive information shall not be submitted electronically and should comply with 5 VAC 5-20-170, *Confidential information*, of the Rules of Practice. For the duration of the COVID-19 emergency, any person seeking to hand deliver and physically file or submit any pleading or other document shall contact the Clerk's Office Document Control Center at (804) 371-9838 to arrange the delivery.

Pursuant to 5 VAC 5-20-140, *Filing and service*, of the Commission's Rules of Practice, the Commission has directed that service on parties and the Commission's Staff in this matter shall be accomplished by electronic means. Please refer to the Commission's Order for Notice and Hearing for further instructions concerning Confidential or Extraordinarily Sensitive Information.

An electronic copy of the Company's Petition may be obtained by submitting a written request to counsel for the Company, Sarah R. Bennett, Esquire, McGuireWoods LLP, Gateway Plaza, 800 East Canal Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219, or <a href="mailto:SBennett@mcguirewoods.com">SBennett@mcguirewoods.com</a>.

On or before April 29, 2021, any interested person may file comments on the Petition by following the instructions found on the Commission's website:

scc.virginia.gov/casecomments/Submit-Public-Comments. All comments shall refer to Case No. PUR-2020-00170.

On or before February 9, 2021, any person or entity wishing to participate as a respondent in this proceeding may do so by filing a notice of participation with the Clerk of the State Corporation Commission, c/o Document Control Center, P.O. Box 2118, Richmond, Virginia 23218-2118, or by filing electronically at scc.virginia.gov/clk/efiling/. Such notice of participation shall include the email addresses of such parties or their counsel. The respondent simultaneously shall serve a copy of the notice of participation on counsel to the Company. Pursuant to Rule 5 VAC 5-20-80 B, Participation as a respondent, of the Commission's Rules of Practice, any notice of participation shall set forth: (i) a precise statement of the interest of the respondent; (ii) a statement of the specific action sought to the extent then known; and (iii) the factual and legal basis for the action. Any organization, corporation, or government body participating as a respondent must be represented by counsel as required by Rule 5 VAC 5-20-30, Counsel, of the Rules of Practice. All filings shall refer to Case No. PUR-2020-00170.

On or before March 9, 2021, each respondent may file with the Clerk of the Commission at the address above or electronically at <a href="scc.virginia.gov/clk/efiling/">scc.virginia.gov/clk/efiling/</a>, and serve on the Commission's Staff, the Company, and all other respondents, any testimony and exhibits by which the respondent expects to establish its case, and each witness's testimony shall include a summary not to exceed one page. In all filings, respondents shall comply with the Commission's Rules of Practice, including 5 VAC 5-20-140, Filing and service; and 5 VAC 5-20-240, Prepared testimony and exhibits. All filings shall refer to Case No. PUR-2020-00170.

Any documents filed in paper form with the Office of the Clerk of the Commission in this docket may use both sides of the paper. In all other respects, except as modified by the Commission's Order for Notice and Hearing, all filings shall comply fully with the requirements of 5 VAC 5-20-150, *Copies and format*, of the Commission's Rules of Practice.

The Company's Petition, the Commission's Rules of Practice and the Commission's Order for Notice and Hearing may be viewed at: scc.virginia.gov/pages/Case-Information.

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- (8) On or before January 19, 2021, the Company shall serve a copy of this Order for Notice and Hearing on the following local officials, to the extent the position exists, in each county, city, and town in which the Company provides service in the Commonwealth of Virginia: the chairman of the board of supervisors of each county; the mayor or manager (or equivalent official) of every city and town; and the county, city, or town attorney. Service shall be made electronically where possible; if electronic service is not possible, service shall be made by either personal delivery or first class mail to the customary place of business or residence of the person served.<sup>17</sup>
- (9) On or before February 2, 2021, the Company shall file proof of the notice and service required by Ordering Paragraphs (7) and (8) above, including the name, title, address, and electronic mail address (if applicable) of each official served, with the Clerk of the State Corporation Commission, c/o Document Control Center, P.O. Box 2118, Richmond, Virginia 23218-2118, or by filing electronically at scc.virginia.gov/clk/efiling/.
- (10) On or before April 29, 2021, any interested person may file comments on the Petition by following the instructions found on the Commission's website:

  <a href="mailto:scc.virginia.gov/casecomments/Submit-Public-Comments">scc.virginia.gov/casecomments/Submit-Public-Comments</a>. All comments shall refer to Case No. PUR-2020-00170.
- (11) On or before February 9, 2021, any person or entity wishing to participate as a respondent in this proceeding may do so by filing a notice of participation with the Clerk of the Commission at the address in Ordering Paragraph (9) or <a href="scc.virginia.gov/clk/efiling">scc.virginia.gov/clk/efiling</a>. Such notice of participation shall include the email addresses of such parties or their counsel. The respondent

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> In addition to the Commission's April 1, 2020 Order in Case No. CLK-2020-00007 (see n.13, supra), see also Petition of Virginia Electric and Power Company, For a continuing waiver of 20 VAC 5-201-10 J of the Rules Governing Utility Rate Applications and Annual Informational Filings to permit electronic service to local officials upon request, Case No. PUE-2016-00039, Doc. Con. Cen. No. 160420194, Order (Apr. 19, 2016).

Pursuant to 5 VAC 5-20-80 B, *Participation as a respondent*, of the Commission's Rules of Practice, any notice of participation shall set forth: (i) a precise statement of the interest of the respondent; (ii) a statement of the specific action sought to the extent then known; and (iii) the factual and legal basis for the action. Any organization, corporation, or government body participating as a respondent must be represented by counsel as required by 5 VAC 5-20-30, *Counsel*, of the Rules of Practice. All filings shall refer to Case No. PUR-2020-00170.

- (12) Within three (3) business days of receipt of a notice of participation as a respondent, the Company shall serve a copy of the public version of the Petition and supporting materials on the respondent, unless these already have been provided to the respondent.
- (13) On or before March 9, 2021, each respondent may file with the Clerk of the Commission at the address in Ordering Paragraph (9) or <a href="scc.virginia.gov/clk/efiling">scc.virginia.gov/clk/efiling</a>, and serve on the Staff, the Company, and all other respondents, any testimony and exhibits by which the respondent expects to establish its case, and each witness's testimony shall include a summary not to exceed one page. In all filings, respondents shall comply with the Commission's Rules of Practice, as modified herein, including, but not limited to: 5 VAC 5-20-140, *Filing and service*, and 5 VAC 5-20-240, *Prepared testimony and exhibits*. All filings shall refer to Case No. PUR-2020-00170.
- (14) On or before April 6, 2021, the Staff shall investigate Dominion's Petition and file with the Clerk of the Commission its testimony and exhibits concerning the Petition, and each Staff witness's testimony shall include a summary not to exceed one page. A copy thereof shall be served on counsel to the Company and all respondents.

- (15) On or before April 20, 2021, Dominion shall file with the Clerk of the Commission any rebuttal testimony and exhibits that it expects to offer, and each rebuttal witness's testimony shall include a summary not to exceed one page. The Company shall serve a copy of its rebuttal testimony and exhibits on the Staff and all respondents.
- (16) Any documents filed in paper form with the Office of the Clerk of the Commission in this docket may use both sides of the paper. In all other respects, all filings shall comply fully with the requirements of 5 VAC 5-20-150, *Copies and format*, of the Commission's Rules of Practice.
- (17) The Commission's Rule of Practice 5 VAC 5-20-260, *Interrogatories or requests* for production of documents and things, shall be modified for this proceeding as follows: responses and objections to written interrogatories and requests for production of documents shall be served within seven (7) calendar days after receipt of the same. In addition to the service requirements of 5 VAC 5-20-260 of the Rules of Practice, on the day that copies are filed with the Clerk of the Commission, a copy of the interrogatory or request for production shall be served electronically on the party to whom the interrogatory or request for production is directed or the assigned Staff attorney, if the interrogatory or request for production is directed to the Staff. Except as modified herein, discovery shall be in accordance with Part IV of the Commission's Rules of Practice, 5 VAC 5-20-240 et seq.
  - (18) This matter is continued.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> The assigned Staff attorney is identified on the Commission's website, <u>scc.virginia.gov/pages/Case-Information</u>, by clicking "Docket Search," then clicking "Search by Case Information," and entering the case number, PUR-2020-00170 in the appropriate box.

A COPY hereof shall be sent electronically by the Clerk of the Commission to all persons on the official Service List in this matter. The Service List is available from the Clerk of the Commission.